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ALEXANDRIA RACES.

ON Tuesday the 26th day of October next, will be run for over the course near this Town, the ALEXANDRIA JOCKEY-CLUB PURSE of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, free only for the Members of the Club, the best two in three four mile heats. Aged horses carrying ten stone; six years old, nine stone four pounds; five years old, eight stone four pounds; four years old, seven stone six pounds; three years old, six stone six pounds.

On Wednesday the 27th, will be run for, the TOWN PURSE of SIXTY GUINEAS free for any horse, mare or gelding (the winning horse the preceding day excepted.) Aged horses carrying nine stone; six years old, eight stone seven pounds; five years old, seven stone ten pounds; four years old, seven stone, and three years old, a feather; the best two in three three mile heats. All horses that run for the above Purse, to be entered with Mr. JOHN LOMAX on the Monday preceding the day of starting, and to pay Two Guineas entrance, or double at the post.

And, on Thursday the 28th, the JOCKEY CLUB purse of FIFTY GUINEAS, by four and three years old, and free only for Members of the Club. Four years old, carrying seven stone six pounds; and three years old, six stone six pounds; the best two in three two mile heats. The horses to start precisely at 12 o'clock each day. No horse will be allowed to start whose rider is not dressed in a silk jacket, jockey cap, and half boots. Judges are appointed who will determine all disputes. The Members to dine together at Mr. LOMAX's on the first day of the races.—Dinner to be on the table at 3 o'clock.

☞ It is earnestly requested, that the Members send in their Subscriptions before the tenth of October.

August 15, 1784.

TWENTY POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subscriber, on the 3d. of July last, a NEGRO MAN named ELLICK, calls himself Alexander Lucas, formerly belonged to some of the Lucas's near Eastern Branch ferry, Maryland, about 27 years of age, a strong able well set fellow, 5 feet 10 inches high; he is an artful cunning villain, very talkative at times, will make any asseverations to gain his ends, speaks sometimes in the Dutch dialect, is very handy with the broadaxe, or carpenters coarse tools, or any farming or planting business, a tolerable good waggoner being accustomed to it, has made several journies to Philadelphia and Baltimore, under Mr. Patrick Cavan, merchant in Leesburg, executor of Doctor James Courtsman deceased, of which estate I purchased him. The clothes he took away, are such as people of his condition do not generally wear, viz. a new coarse green cloth coat, spotted with red and white intermixed, a new red striped linen coat, a new jacket nearly the same, with backs of plains, an old coarse linen ditto, a pair of new white cloth breeches, a pair of yellow ditto twilled, an old pair blue cloth ditto, a new white linen shirt, cambrick neck band, two old brown shirts, a pair of black leather stockings, a pair thread ditto, an old fine hat, bound with black, an old coarse ditto, shoes and buckles, and an old knapsack. It is expected he may endeavour to get on board some vessel, but it is hoped should he make the attempt he will be apprehended. Whoever brings the said Negro to the subscriber near Rockey-Run church, in Loudon county, shall receive FIVE DOLLARS if taken twenty miles from home, and in proportion for a greater or less distance, to the amount of the above Reward.

WILLIAM BERNARD SEARS.

Loudon County, Virginia, August 5, 1784.

WHOLESALE and RETAIL.

JOHN DUNDAS,
And
COMPANY,

At their Store the South-East Corner of King and Pitt Streets, lately occupied by Mr. Samuel M'Kean, and directly opposite to Mr. William Hepburn's, an elegant Assortment of European GOODS, just imported in the last Vessels from LONDON, which they are now selling on very reasonable Terms for CASH or COUNTRY PRODUCE, among which are the following Articles, viz.

IRISH linens, osnaburgs, ticklenburgs, cottons, chintzes, dyed pillows, fustians, jeans and jeanets, plain and spotted marseilles, quilting, cassimers, bed-bunts, tickings, white and striped plain and corded dimity, red, blue and green furniture check, India nankeens, mens' hats, fine and coarse corduroys, calamancoes, durants, shalloons, rattinets, moreens, Joan's spinning, black satin, mens' white and brown thread hose, boys white thread ditto, mens' white ribbed cotton ditto, womens' cotton ditto, mens' silk and beaver gloves, womens' silk ditto, camlets, black russels, Hearlem cords, diapers, red and blue fancy printed linen handkerchiefs, red romal check ditto, red spotted cotton handkerchiefs, silk romal ditto, cambricks, sewing silk, gartering, Scotch threads, plain and figured gauzes, white and black catgut, gauze handkerchiefs, cassinets, graisets, kentings, kenting handkerchiefs, sprigged ditto, pollicat ditto, bed ticking in patterns, tammies, Dutch cord, pins, knives and forks, shoe buckles, penknives, Bath metal buttons, mens' white and Bath shoe buckles, sarsenets, book muslin, humhums, India dimity, muslins, Haerlem checks, black bombazines, bindings, striped tapes, Holland ditto, nonsopretties, diaper and damask table cloths, a quantity of excellent Barbadoes rum in hogsheads, and a few barrels of muscovado sugar.

N. B. In a few weeks they expect to have a very general assortment of groceries, ironmongery and cutlery, which they will sell on very reasonable terms.

Alexandria, August 9, 1784.

THE Subscriber has just received from LONDON a very general assortment of MEDICINES, well bought and warranted of the best quality, which he will open for sale in a few days. In a seperate invoice is a particular and judicious choice of Medicines in small quantities, with surgeons instruments and shop furniture complete, intended for a private practitioner, which he will sell at a very low advance on the sterling cost for CASH or TOBACCO.—An indulgence of short credit will be given to the purchaser if required.

E. C. DICK.

Alexandria, August 10, 1784.

Just imported from Cork, and to be sold cheap for Cash, at JAMES LOWNES's Store, Fairfax-street, Alexandria,

STRIPED *cottons, a curious assortment of glass ware by the box or retail, satinets, corduroys, thicksets, velverets, British ribs, striped lastings, beavers, cloths, stockinets, jeanets, shalloons, cantoons, denims, jeans, pillow fustians, checks, mens' boots, and old Madeira wine in bottles. As the Importer intends returning to Ireland the ensuing fall, wholesale purchasers, will find it their interest to deal with him.*

Alexandria, Aug. 10, 1784.

Alexandria, March 4, 1784.

THE Subscriber has for Sale, in this Town sundry LOTS, or Parcels of GROUND on several Streets, and well situated.

WILLIAM RAMSAY.

M'Crea *and* Mease,

Have just arrived an Assortment of GOODS, which they propose selling on reasonable Terms, at their Store in Alexandria, amongst which are a Variety of the following Articles, viz.

CLoths, *shalloons, calamancoes, durants, camlets, poplins, German serges, dorsetteens, velverets, kings' and queens' cords, dimities, drab boys, satinets, denims, checks, striped Hollands, bed-bunts, messinets, silk ferrets, taffetas, nonsopretties, tapes, glass ware, window glass, clear and spotted lawns, striped and figured ditto, ditto handkerchiefs, fine soufflee and needle-worked aprons, threads, Dutch lace and edging, silk ferrets, Barcelona handkerchiefs, black and white lace, blond ditto, ladies' fashionable trimmed cloaks, hats and bonnets, Cyprus and other gauzes, knee and other garters, mens' and womens' gloves, silk mits, ribbons, counterpains, Irish linens, osnaburgs quality bindings, ladies' stays, writing-paper, inkpowder combs, pins, needles, milled and common flannels, mens', womens' and boys' thread, cotton and silk hose, spelling-books, pocket-books, hair broom-heads, brushes, sieves, table knives and forks, clasp and pen knives, razors, shaping and other scissors, bar-lead, shot, coffee-mills, sleeve buttons, plated spurs and buckles, spectacles, blank account books, quills, bridle combs, horsewhips, money-scales with weights, twist, sewing silk, shirt buttons, cottons, calicoes, coatings, bottled claret, &c. &c.*

It is useless to say any thing respecting the terms on which these goods will be sold, whoever applies at the POST-OFFICE will find them agreeable.

Alexandria, August 15, 1784.

FOR SALE,

That beautiful Seat MOUNT-FELICITY, in the County of Berkeley in the State of Virginia, where the Subscriber lives, containing 1125 Acres:

FEW Tracts of Land possess as many advantages as this—Bullskin, a fine never failing limestone stream running nearly through the middle of it affords conveniencies and advantages rarely to be met with, particularly two very fine mill seats, one of which has a fall of twenty two feet nine inches; and from the stream a large quantity of meadow may be watered. The soil is rich, the land level, well timbered and but little broken with the limestone, about four hundred acres of the land are cleared and in excellent order for cropping, every field having a communication with the water and under good fences.—There are about forty acres of fine Timothy meadow, and the quantity may be encreased to an hundred acres, the greatest part of which may at all seasons of the year be watered from the stream. As this land lies open to the barrens, where there are many hundred acres without timber, and thick set with blue grass, it affords one the finest ranges in America. The improvements are a good stone dwelling-house, kitchen, spring-house, and other necessary out houses. The situation is about two miles from Shenandoah river, and ten from Harper's ferry on Potomack. Upon paying a part of the money in hand, a long credit will be given for the remainder. For further particulars and a view of the premises inquire of

JOHN GAUNTT.

August 12, 1784.

Wanted,

A *Single Man, well acquainted with the English Language and Arithmetic, as a Teacher in the Subscriber's Family.—Such a Person, well recommended, will meet with encouragement by applying to*

WARNER WASHINGTON.

Frederick County, Virginia, Aug. 9, 1784.

MIDDLEBURG, May 4.

THE States of Zealand, at present assembled, agreed yesterday to write a circular letter to the States of the other provinces, to invite them to take the necessary measures for establishing good order and harmony in the Republic, and for correcting the abuses which have been introduced during a number of years into divers parts of its government. The principal means which their Noble Mightinesses propose for this effect, is holding an extraordinary assembly at the Hague, composed of the Deputies of the respective Provinces.

LONDON, May 13.

Yesterday morning arrived in the River five ships bearing the thirteen stripes, from New-York, South-Carolina, and other parts of America.

May 25. Yesterday morning ten sail of ships from Virginia and Maryland, sailed from Gravesend for the Downs.

May 26. The following letter was received late on Monday night by the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor, from the Marquis of Carmarthen, one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State:

"St. James's, May 24, 1784.

"My Lord,

"I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship, that Mr. Stone is just arrived from Paris, with the definitive treaty of peace between his Majesty and the States General of the United Provinces, which was signed the 20th inst. by Mr. Hailes, his Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary, and the Dutch Plenipotentiaries.

"I send your Lordship immediate notice of this event that it may be made public without loss of time.

"I am, with great truth and regard, my Lord, your Lordship's most humble servant,

"CARMARTHEN.

"Right Honorable the Lord Mayor."

May 29. Admiral Gambier, who was appointed to succeed Rear-Admiral Rowley, in the chief command at Jamaica, has written home to be recalled. It is said that the Admiralty Board having disapproved of his conduct in purchasing [illegible] and putting them into commission, at a time when he judged it expedient, is the occasion of this sudden measure.

Thursday was exhibited before the Board of Admiralty, an invention for giving to ships an additional buoyancy, on particular occasions such as to lift them off rocks, over the bars of harbours, keeling them for the purposes of cleaning their bottoms, and the like. This is a discovery made by Mr. South, a gentleman of fortune in Hampshire; and, we understand, it has met with such approbation, as to be put into a course of being immediately adopted in the navy.

The Emperor's famous mechanic in Moravia, who has invented machines that have rendered his name known all over Europe, has added a new one to the number, which is likely to come into universal use. It is fixed under, or rather into, boats, to row them, by which one man will impel a boat along with as much rapidity as twelve men with common oars could do. The Emperor was present when it was tried in the Danube, and with such success, that he gave the artist to the amount of 200 guineas (English) immediately.

Mr. Martin during the debate on the Bedfordshire petition on Tuesday last, addressed Lord North by the title of *The noble Lord with the Fox at the head of his Stick*, upon which he was called to order, when he declared he knew not in what better manner he could point out the noble Lord he meant to address, since there was in this Parliament three other noble Lords with blue ribbands, alluding to the Lords Courtown, Mornington, and Ilchester, who wear sky-blue ribbands as Knights of St. Patrick. Lord North, with his wonted good humour, smiled at this new instance of Mr. Martin's familiarity, and assured the Honorable Gentleman, the figure of the animal carved at the head of his stick was meant to represent a PIG.

The Emperor's requisitions to the States-General are perhaps the most arbitrary and insulting that ever appeared in history. His demands are not only unqualified, but are made in defiance of decency, and clearly shew that no alternative will be allowed between a war, and the most abject, the most humiliating concessions.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 7.

Extract of a letter from Halifax, July 4.

"We have nothing stirring here, and business in general is very dull. There is some talk of Halifax being made a free port; but I know not what to think of it, or whether there is any grounds to believe it. I wish the report may not be altogether without foundation."

Congress, we hear, have sent a formal deputation to demand of Governor Haldiman the surrender of the frontier posts in Canada, agreeable to treaty. Col. Hull is employed in this service, and has arrived in Canada.

Monday last arrived here the brig Peggy, Capt. Hughes, from Port-au-Prince. By this vessel we learn, that on the 29th of June a dreadful fire broke out at Port-au-Prince, which destroyed the greatest part of that town, including many valuable stores, &c. The damage is said to amount to twenty-five millions of livres.

August 11. A Bill is brought into the House of Assembly for raising 250 men, from the militia of this State, to serve 13 months, subject to the rules and regulations of the late army of the United States. These are to be in part of 700 officers and privates, which Congress have deemed necessary to garrison the posts on the north-western frontiers, and for guarding the public stores.

Saturday last departed this life, Mr. WILLIAM MILLER, merchant of this city.

Extract from three letters dated Martinique, the 4th, 6th and 7th July, 1784.

"In conformity to the strict orders of the Court of France, every French subject as well as foreigner, without exception, is prohibited to export the Produce of any of the French colonies (taffia and molasses excepted) and to import any kind of foreign flour or grain whatever. The whole under the penalty of confiscating the vessel seized upon, a fine of 3000 livres and upwards, in proportion to the estate of the owner, and six months imprisonment. The guarda-costas and the land inspectors have the most positive injunctions to see these orders put in execution."

Extract of a letter from Dublin, dated May 18.

"Letters from London are pretty positive in report of an approaching war; many recent circumstances giving reason to apprehend such an event. All the French sailors in England are called home, and their expences to be discharged by agents appointed for that purpose."

BALTIMORE, Aug. 13.

His Britannic Majesty's Packet-Boat Tankerville, Capt. M'Donogh, arrived at New-York on the 2d instant with the June mail.—The Honorable HENRY LAURENS, Esq; one of the Commissioners, in behalf of the United States of America, for negociating and settling the late Treaty of Peace, came passenger in the above-mentioned vessel.

On the 26th of June last departed this life, at his seat near Dover, the Honorable CÆSAR RODNEY, Esq; late Captain-General, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Delaware State; a gentleman of distinguished reputation.

A few days ago died at New-York, the amiable Captain JAMES M'PHERSON, late of the Pennsylvania line.

ALEXANDRIA, *August* 19.

On Tuesday Morning the Marquis de la Fayette, accompanied by the Chevalier Caraman, Captain of Dragoons in the Army of France, passed through this Town, on their Way to his Excellency General Washington's Seat, Mount-Vernon.

Last Tuesday arrived here the Schooner Hope, Capt. Christie, who left Surrinam the 29th Ult. He informs that there had been an Insurrection among the Negroes in that Place; that although the Whites were assisted by the Indians, they were obliged to give them what Terms they asked, in order to appease them.

The Success, Capt. Harris, and the Abby, Capt. Child, are arrived at Liverpool from this State.

On Tuesday Evening last died here Mr. FREDERICK NILES, Son to Capt. ROBERT NILES, of Norwich, in Connecticut, much lamented by his Acquaintance.

NAVAL-OFFICE, ALEXANDRIA.

Inward Entries. Schooner Industry, H. Moore, from Maryland; Sloop Sally, J. S. Ingersott, Gloucester; Schooner Hope, J. Christie, Martinique.

Cleared Outwards. Schooner Fairfax, J. Stewart, for Maryland; Ship Firebrand, G. Raymond, Amsterdam.

For the VIRGINIA JOURNAL, &c.

To the INHABITANTS of POTOMACK RIVER in MARYLAND and VIRGINIA.

THE attention of a country formed for the most extensive commercial connexions, cannot perhaps in times of peace, be directed to any objects of greater consequence to its prosperity than to the means of its internal intercourse.—Under this view the territory within the limits of the United States, though accommodated by nature in a most extraordinary manner for an easy, general and intimate communication, seems also to have been designed for the subject of much industry, application, and improvement. The time too seems to have arrived when such undertakings should be commenced, the American independence being finally and completely accomplished, and the several States, by that event, being established and secured in the enjoyment of their respective laws and constitutions.—Under these circumstances not only every success, but the most rapid progress may reasonably be expected.

Already the inhabitants of the Susquehannah have taken measures for opening the navigation of that river from the mouth as far as it may be done, and for that purpose very liberal subscriptions and contributions have been made. The work has been begun, and the progress of it gives satisfaction to all who are concerned.

In Pennsylvania they have it in contemplation to unite the bay of Chesapeake at Hamburg with the river Delaware, and to remove the obstructions in the Schuylkill and to connect it by a canal with the Susquehannah. In other States it is probable that similar improvements are designed, or, perhaps, commenced.

These observations tend to shew the policy, or I might say, the necessity of losing no time with respect to the navigation of the Potomack, on a large and extensive plan.—The advantages that would immediately be derived from opening the navigation from tide-water, as far as it may be extended, are too many to be enumerated, and too obvious to be illustrated.—However, let me remark that there is reason to believe they would not be confined to the inhabitants of the various branches of the Potomack; For many who have had the best opportunities to know, and are possessed of the best information in the geography of the United States, are of opinion that the general communication from the eastern to the western country will be by means of this river and the Ohio. A canal of the distance of eighteen miles or less, from a branch of the Potomack to a branch of the Ohio, being the principal work to be effected after the obstructions in this river shall have been completely removed. If this be the case, no undertaking of this sort can be conceived of greater importance in its public as well as private consequences, nor should any meet with more encouragement and support, or be prosecuted with more vigour and assiduity.

Several estimates have been made of the monies requisite for opening and extending the navigation from tide-water to Fort Cumberland, the distance of about two hundred miles, particularly one by Mr. Balendine, which required the sum of Forty-five Thousand Pounds, and this is the largest estimate that has been made. The sum is considerable, but when it is remarked what an extent of country and how many people are interested, there can be no doubt of the practicability of raising it, if proper measures are taken for the purpose. Indeed many persons unconnected in interest may be found who will contribute liberally to an undertaking of such public utility.

To prepare a well digested plan, and to submit it to the legislatures of Virginia and Maryland for their approbation, seems to be one of the first things to be done; the peculiar situation of the jurisdiction of the river rendering it indispensably necessary: For any plan, however well devised and arranged, must stand in need of this sanction, or it will meet with difficulties and objections more or less embarrassing in its execution. Perhaps a better one cannot be contrived than what may be found in the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed in the year 1772, for opening and extending the navigation of Potomack, which was interrupted by the late revolution from being carried into effect.

The outlines of it are as follow: The monies to be subscribed, and whenever in the opinion of any ten subscribers, who shall subscribe One hundred Pounds each, a sufficient sum shall be engaged for beginning the work, notice to be given by them, and a time and place appointed for a general meeting of the subscribers, who are authorised to choose one person for a president and eleven others for directors and trustees: These are incorporated under the name of the president, directors and trustees, for opening the falls of Potomack river, are vested with adequate powers to employ undertakers, to make contracts, to receive and pay away the monies subscribed, or by other means obtained; and to sue for and recover by due course of law all sums

to which they may be entitled; and alſo, are required to make report, and render account from time to time to the ſubſcribers of all their proceedings, and for miſbehaviour may be removed and their vacancies ſupplied.

As an encouragement to the undertaking, and to reimburſe the ſubſcribers ſuch ſums of money as ſhall in firſt inſtance be advanced, and that the works after they ſhall have been completed, may be duly repaired and ſupported, they are veſted in the ſubſcribers in fee ſimple, as tenants in common; and the truſtees are authoriſed to receive certain moderate tolls or duties (which are ſpecially aſcertained) on all commodities imported or exported above tide-water. As an aid to the plan a lottery is directed to be ſet on foot by the truſtees, for the purpoſe of raiſing Ten Thouſand Pounds.

Why this plan ſhould not now be revived and immediately proſecuted, either without alteration, or with ſuch as may better promote its object, I preſume no good reaſons can be offered. If it were practicable in the year 1772, ſurely it may at this time be more certainly and eaſily accompliſhed; for there is no diſtrict of country in the United States that has encreaſed ſo much as the country on Potomack in population and riches.

A general Union of intereſts, leading to the ſame object, is another matter that muſt be thought highly uſeful to the ſucceſs of a work of ſo great magnitude and importance: In this view, whether any confined and partial projects will not be more detrimental than beneficial may be made a queſtion? It is true, at firſt ſight, the execution of a limited navigation ſeems to promote the plan of the moſt extenſive, as whatever ſhall be effected on a ſmaller ſcale, will be ſo much on a greater, or in other words it may be conſidered in the light of a part of a whole. But ſhould theſe limited and partial improvements, create ſo many ſeparate and particular intereſts independent of the general ſyſtem, or oppoſed to it, there is reaſon to apprehend they will be more injurious than uſeful, and on this account deſerve to be diſcountenanced rather than encouraged. The caſe may be imagined, and perhaps is now in exiſtence, where, after the completion of a particular project, thoſe who are immediately concerned will be very indifferent with regard to the reſt of the navigation. Of this nature appears to me to be a paper, dated at George-Town the 29th day of July laſt, containing propoſals, and ſoliciting ſubſcriptions for improving the navigation between the Great Falls and Payne's Landing, and for this reaſon it may be adviſeable for thoſe who wiſh well to the complete and extenſive navigation, to withhold their contributions, more eſpecially as the public can be aſſured, that ſomething of general utility and concern is at this time under ſerious contemplation.

Aug. 10, 1784. FARMER.

THE WINCHESTER POST-RIDER would be much obliged to the Gentlemen of this town who have encouraged his riding by their generous Subſcriptions, if they would depoſit a part thereof in the hands of Mr. RICHARDS, with whom the ſubſcription-paper is lodged, as he is now in much want of a little money to defray his expences.

Auguſt 18, 1784.

JESSE TAYLOR,

At his Store, on the South-weſt Corner of King and Pitt Streets, has for Sale, on reaſonable Terms, by Wholeſale or Retail, for Caſh, Wheat, Flour, Tobacco, Snakeroot or Genſang, a Variety of GOODS, among which are the following, viz.

IRISH 7-8 and yard-wide linens, chintz, printed cottons and linens, ticklenburgs, oſnaburgs, threads, Marſeilles quilting, bird's-eye, Dutch and Pruſſian cord, corded and ſtriped muſlins, princes cord, jeans and jeanets, dimities, ſilk, thread and cotton ſtockings, ſilk, linen, cotton and lawn handkerchiefs, gauze and lawn aprons, ribbons, ſilk for bonnets, tablecloths and towelling, Genoa velvet, ſuperfine broadcloths, ſecond and forreſt cloths, coatings, ſwanſkins, flannels, caſſimers, bed ticks, ſtriped Hollands, checks, halloons, durants, calamancoes, tammies, buttons and trimmings, knives and forks, and other cutlery and hardware, china, queen's-ware, beſt hyſon, green, ſouchong, congo and bohea teas, loaf ſugar, a few hogſheads of old ſpirits, Weſt-India and New-England rum, Iriſh ſoap, tin ware, pins, ſhot, lead, gunpowder, nails, iron pots and kettles, Liſbon ſalt by the quantity or buſhel, &c. &c.

Alexandria, Auguſt 18, 1784.

THE ſubſcriber will ſell, for Caſh or Tobacco, a PAIR of HORSES, well matched, and broke to a carriage; they are bays, full 15 hands high, 5 years old, warranted ſound.—Alſo a couple of elegant SADDLE-HORSES and ſeveral blooded Colts, from one to four years old. An extenſive credit will be given if required, on giving bond, with approved ſecurity.

GEO. MASON, jun.

Fairfax County, Aug. 18, 1784.

On Tueſday the Fifth Day of October next, if fair, if not the next fair Day, will be ſold to the higheſt Bidder,

THE Subſcriber's late dwelling Plantation in Charles County, about ſix miles below Piſcataway, and on the main road leading from that place to Port-Tobacco; it contains about 580 acres, is well ſtocked with wood and timber, the ſoil is of the firſt quality, and a large proportion of it is valuable meadow ground. The improvements are a good dwelling-houſe, all the uſual out-houſes, and an excellent apple orchard. The water is fine and the ſituation uncommonly healthy. Credit for three years, if required, will be given upon paying one third annually.

S. HANSON, *of Samuel.*

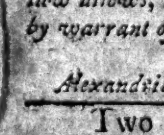
Aug. 17, 1784.

DANIEL and ISAAC M'PHERSON,

Have for ſale on very reaſonable Terms,

SALT in ſacks, loaf ſugar by the hogſhead or hundred, oſnaburgs by the bale or bolt, 20d. 10d. 8d. and 6d. nails by the caſk, mens' and womens' ſhoes by the box or dozen, a few boxes of glaſs ware well aſſorted, Edinburgh porter and ale in bottles, Weſt-India rum, &c.

Aug. 16, 1784.



THE Ship KITTY, Captain *JAMES HENRICK, now lying at George-Town, and will ſail for London about the 10th of September, takes in tobacco on liberty, at Seven Pounds Sterling per ton. She is a ſtrong good ſhip, and well accommodated for a few paſſengers. For terms apply to the Captain on board, or to me in George-Town.*

ROBERT PETER.

Aug. 18, 1784.

Will be let on ground-rent for ever, on the Fourth Tueſday in October next, at Mr. Lomax's Tavern,

FORTY LOTS adjoining the town of Alexandria, by the executors of Mr. JOHN ALEXANDER, who will make proper titles.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER,
W. GIBBONS STUART.

Aug. 7, 1784.

N. B. Many of the Lots lie on the river.

RAN away from the ſhip St. Rose, Capt Perez, lying in this Port, two Sailors, *one a Portugueſe, named* FRANCISCO D'SILVA, *about 5 feet 9 inches high, wears his own hair, dark complexion, about forty-one years of age, his dreſs uncertain, having carried all his cloathing with him:—The other a Spaniard, named* DIEGO FERNANDEZ, *a tall well-ſet man, about 5 feet 5 inches high, wears his own hair, about 25 years of age, his dreſs uncertain, having taken with him his different cloathing. Whoever takes up either or both of theſe Runaways, and ſecures them in a gaol at Baltimore or Fredericksburg, or any public gaol between the two places, ſhall have a Reward of* Ten Dollars *for each, inclusive of what the law allows; and, if taken in this Town,* Five Dollars *for each, inclusive of what the law allows, if taken and delivered to the gaoler here by warrant of a Magiſtrate.*

HOOE and HARRISON.

Alexandria, Auguſt 18, 1784.

Two Runaway Servant Men.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away, laſt night, from the ſubſcriber, living on the upper part of Elk-Ridge, in Ann-Arundel County, State of Maryland, two indented Iriſh Servant Men, *both imported in the Harmony, Capt. Lyle, from Cork, viz.* PATRICK DARCY, *by trade a millwright, about 35 years of age, a well made fellow, about 5 feet 3 or 4 inches high, full-faced, round-ſhouldered, ſhort black hair, walks with his toes much turned out; had on and took with him, a brown cloth coat, a jacket, the fore parts of which are corduroy, the backs of linen, a pair of yellow corduroy breeches, one white ſhirt, three Holland ſtocks, a metal ſtock-buckle, one oſnaburg ſhirt, two pair of oſnaburg trouſers, three pair of ribb'd thread hoſe, and three pair of yarn do. two ſhoebuckles, both copper, the one with a broad the other with a narrow rim.—*

PEIRCE DONOVAN, *by trade a ſtone-maſon, about 32 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, fair complexion, light hair, which is ſhort, and tied behind, gray eyes and red beard, has ſeveral letters mark'd upon one of his arms, (I believe the right) between the elbow and wriſt, a large ſcar upon one of his legs, which, he ſays, was occaſioned by a muſket ball; had on and took with him, a ſhort brown cloth jacket, and trouſers of the ſame, one oſnaburg ſhirt, one tow linen do. a felt hat half worn, and old ſhoes. Whoever takes up and brings home, either or both of the ſaid Servants, ſhall have, for each, if 10 miles from home, or under,* Five Dollars, *if 15 miles,* Ten Dollars, *if 25 miles,* Twenty Dollars, *if 35 miles,* Thirty Dollars, *and if 50 miles or upwards,* Fifty Dollars, *and all reaſonable travelling charges, paid by*

JAMES HOWARD.

N. B. *All perſons are ſtrictly forbid harbouring ſaid fellows, and all Maſters of Veſſels are forewarned not to carry them off at their peril.*

Auguſt 12, 1784.

WILLIAM HARTSHORNE,
AND
COMPANY,

Have for Sale at their Store in King-ſtreet, Alexandria, a Variety of GOODS lately imported, among which are,

A PARCEL of elegant chintzes and calicoes, ſatin and Perſian quilted petticoats, lutеſtrings, black and white ſatins, black mode, Genoa velvet, jaconet and book muſlin, bordered and plain Marſeilles quilting, black and white gauze of different kinds, ribbons, ladies' kid and ſilk gloves and mits, riding and chipt hats, canvaſs and crewels for marking, cambricks and lawns, ſilk, cotton and thread laces, large and ſmall mahogany looking glaſſes, mahogany chairs, lawn ſearches, Iriſh linens from 10d. to 3 s. ſterling per prime coſt, checks, ſtriped Hollands, ſheetings coarſe and fine, drillings, German and Britiſh oſnaburgs, Engliſh ſail cloth, diaper and damaſk tablecloths, fine and coarſe bedticken, fine and coarſe broadcloths, caſſimers, Tartan plaid, carpeting, jeans, cotton denims, ſagathy, duroy, ſhalloons, calamancoes, durants, tammies, moreens, buckram, ſilk twiſt, ſewing ſilk, fine and coarſe ounce thread, ſilk, thread and cotton hoſe, ſilk, cotton and linen handkerchiefs, mens' and womens' leather ſhoes, Hoſe's and common calamanco ſhoes, mens' fine and coarſe hats, blank account books, Latin and Engliſh books of different kinds, wafers, inkpowder, ſealing-wax, ſlates and ſlate pencils, black lead pencils, paints, glaſs ware, china ware, bell-metal kettles, powder, copper tea-kettles and coffee-pots, ſpice mortars, pins and needles, bohea, green and hyſon tea, chocolate, muſtard, ſingle and double refined loaf ſugar, mould candles by the box, girth web, ſhoe and knee buckles, ſail needles, beſt ſteel plates and common handſaws, 8d. 10d. 12d. 24d. and 30d. nails, flat points, large ſpikes, flooring brads, window glaſs 9 by 7, 10 by 8, 11 by 9 and 12 by 10, Engliſh ſteel, ſpades and ſhovels, ſmiths' anvils and vices, broad and narrow axes, broad and hilling hoes, ſcythes, carpenters' and coopers' adzes, ſhingling hatchets, temple ſpectacles, iron wire, ſmall cordage, bur mill-ſtones, Teneriffe wine by the pipe or quarter caſk, and a few quarter caſks of fine old Liſbon wine.

Alſo, 2d. 3d. 4d. 5d. 6d. and 8d. ſprigs, pump, clout and trunk nails, ſcupper-nails, hob-nails, tenter-hooks, 5, 6, 3, 12, 14, and 16 oz. tacks, japann'd ware, viz. plate-warmers, bread-baſkets, bottle-ſtands, waiters, quart and pint mugs, curry-combs, mane-combs, braſs door-knockers, curtain rings, ſets of deſk furniture, braſs handles, eſcutcheons, covers, caps and cranks, ſcrew-rings, ſolid head faſh ſcrews, open head do. braſs chimney-hooks, table-ketches, ſets of caſtors, tumblers, turns, nobs, ſconces, frame-pullies, deſk, book-caſe, and clock-caſe hinges, roaſting jacks, ſheep ſhears, gun-locks, gun-flints, hammers and ſcrews, brick-layers' and plaiſterers' trowels, crow-irons, tap-borers ſpike and ſmall gimlets, crewets, frames and glaſſes, plated and common ſhoe and knee-buckles, plated ſpurs, neat ſets of mathematical inſtruments, ſets of letters and figures, ſilver thimbles, mill, pitt, croſs-cut and hand-ſaw files, wood raſps, common and poliſhed iron candleſticks, common and neat chamber bellows, faſh and ſcrew pullies, awl blades and hafts, wire mouſe-traps, houſe and door bells, cow and horſe bells, rat traps, cheſt locks, gridirons, H, HL and T hinges, pepper and coffee mills, ſets of ſmall braſs weights, from 4 lb. down, lathing, claw and pump hammers, caulking-irons, iron compaſſes, braſs do. ſteel points, women' braſs thimbles, men's ſteel do. ſleeve-buttons, paper ink-pots, japann'd and ſteel-ſpring ſnuffers, ſickles, ſtone-hammers, ſhoe-hammers, ſcale-beams, ſteelyards, braſs kettles, carpenters' pincers, ſhoemakers' pincers and nippers, ſhovels and tongs, flat and round head wood ſcrews aſſorted, fowling pieces, braſs ſcale-diſhes, copper tea-kettles, braſs chaffing-diſhes, warming-pans, ſcale line, faſh line, two feet box rules, ſize ſticks with braſs feet, two feet Gunter ſcales, braſs chair nails, white and green ivory handle knives and forks, with carvers to match, buck handle knives and forks, razors, cork ſcrews, plyers, ſaw-ſets, ſugar nippers, hand vices, ſhoe and ſaddlers' punches, ſaddlers' hammers, ſcrew-drivers, tailors' bodkins, centre-bitts, braces with collars, dog collars, key rings, ſhoe tacks, knitting needles, pocket ſteelyards, horſe bruſhes, flat and round ſpring bolts, carvers' gouges, carpenters' iron ſquares, riveting hammers, mill-ſaws.

Alexandria, Auguſt 18, 1784.

THE Copartnerſhip of M'PHERSON and THOMPSON being diſſolved by mutual conſent, all perſons indebted to them are requeſted to make immediate payment, and thoſe who have any demands againſt them are deſired to ſend in their accounts that they may be paid, as they are very deſirous of having their concern ſettled. The books are in the hands of Mr. Jonah Thompſon, who will ſettle the accounts.

Alexandria, Aug. 16, 1784.

POETRY.

——Fors omnia versat. VIRG. Ec. 9.

"'Twill, while fortune turns the wheel,
That life's a lottery mankind feel;
All venture, few confess their gain;
For rich and poor alike complain.
The lover's mad, the miser's sour;
The coxcomb, all things in an hour;
The low repine; and for the high,
They're angry too, they know not why.
This single maxim save the wise,
Content makes any lot a prize."

THE Copartnership of HUNTER, ALLISON, and COMPANY, dissolving the first of October next, agreeable to contract, all persons indebted to them for dealings at their store in *Alexandria*, are earnestly requested to make immediate payment; and those to whom they owe will please to bring in their accounts that they may be discharged. HUNTER, ALLISON, and CO.

☞ They have on hand a neat assortment of European and India GOODS, which they will sell reasonable for Cash, Bills of Exchange, or Country Produce.—They have also for sale, Madeira wine in pipes and quarter casks, old Jamaica spirits, Grenada and Antigua rum by the hogshead, tierce, and barrel, Liverpool salt, tar, &c. &c.

Alexandria, July 28, 1784.

FOR SALE for CASH or CREDIT, or exchanged for Land on this Side of the Blue Ridge,

A *TRACT of LAND in the Kentuckey Country, containing agreeable to patent, 18600 acres, lying on Green-River, in the County of Lincoln, within fifty miles of the Court-House, most of which is of the first quality.—If sold for cash or short credit, the price is Two Shillings per acre, which is generally supposed by those acquainted with the land to be considerably below its value.—Also for sale, an Officer's Right for 1033 acres, the number 672, now surveying in that country.—This will be sold for cash, or credit to suit the purchaser, on good bonds.—Inquire of the Subscriber in the city of Richmond.*

July 22, 1784. *WILLIAM PRENTIS.*

LOST on the 22d instant, in this town, a Note for Six Hogsheads of Tobacco, inspected in Alexandria the 15th of April, the Planter's name JAMES CLEVELAND, marks and numbers as follow, viz. IcF 519, 1360, 104, 1225; 520, 1545, 105, 1440; 521, 1288, 114, 1174; 522, 1227, 103, 1124; 523, 1434, 106, 1328; 525, 1393, 105, 1288.—This is to give notice to the Public, that the old note will not claim the Tobacco, as a new one is already taken out for the same. WILLIAM MOOKLAR, and CO.

Alexandria, July 29, 1784.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

STOLEN from the Subscriber on the 24th ult. a *black HORSE*, about 14 hands and 3 inches high, with a small blaze in his face, branded C B, and a blemish in his left eye.—Whoever delivers the said horse to me at Newgate, shall receive the above Reward. CHARLES ESKRIDGE.

August 3, 1784.

To be sold at Public Vendue, on Wednesday the First Day of September next, at Oxen-Hill, opposite Alexandria, in Prince-George's County, Maryland,

ABOUT forty likely country-born slaves, consisting of men, women, and children, among them are three valuable carpenters and joiners, one or two cooks, and some house servants and horse-boys.—Also, a valuable stud, consisting of a high bred covering horse, six years old, and remarkable for his strength and figure, three mares and several colts and fillies; their pedigree will be shewn attested on the day of sale.—Also, a number of draught horses, and colts of a common kind.—An uncommonly fine stock of cattle, chiefly of the English breed, and all the stock of hogs, sheep, &c.—Also, all the plantation utensils, among which are an ox cart with six large young well broke oxen.—Also, a variety of valuable household furniture, and among these are an elegant chamber organ.—Likewise a very elegant coach with harness for four horses.—The terms are as follow, viz. for all sums exceeding twenty dollars three years credit will be given, upon giving bond on interest with sufficient security, and conditioned that unless the interest is annually paid the indulgence will be forfeited; and for all sums which may be paid down ten per cent. will be discounted.

THOMAS H. HANSON.

July 20, 1784.

FOR SALE,

A Valuable Tract of Land, lying within four miles of Alexandria, containing 600 acres, 250 are cleared and under good fence, about 70 acres of excellent low land, 30 of which has been laid down in Timothy, and a large stream of water running through it on which a mill may be erected.—This place is possessed of as many advantages as any in the county that is not situated on the river, is very healthy, the soil good, and every field well supplied with springs of water.—Any person inclining to purchase may be informed of the terms by applying to James Wilson Esq; in Philadelphia, Mr. William Herbert in Alexandria, who will shew the land to any person inclined to view it, or the Subscriber in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. W. BIRD.

June 15, 1784.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from Elk-Ridge furnace on the 26th ult. a dark MULATTO FELLOW, named DANIEL CAIN, 21 years of age, 6 feet 1 inch high, straight and well made, his shins much scarrified has a sore on his right side that appears like a boil and was formerly the property of BENJAMIN PHILPOTT, in Charles county; had on an old light coloured coarse cloth jacket, a small scarlet ditto, with yellow metal buttons, osnaburg shirt, crocos trousers, and an old felt hat. Whoever takes up and secures said fellow, shall have if twenty miles from home six dollars, if fifty miles ten dollars, and if a greater distance, the above reward, and reasonable charges if brought home.

EDWARD DORSEY.

N. B. Said fellow was taken up in Charles county, near Port Tobacco on the 5th instant, and made his escape in Bladensburg, and it is expected he will go the same course, as he has a great many acquaintance in both Charles and St. Mary's counties. E. D.

August 10, 1784.

To be Rented for the Term of Fourteen Years, and entered upon the 25th Day of December next,

A *Very valuable Tract of LAND, lying in Berkeley County, Virginia, containing 924 Acres, on which tract there are about 300 acres cleared, a large proportion of which is rich bottom, and has several farm houses and other improvements; it enjoys great natural advantages from its situation, three-fourths of the whole being bounded on the River Potomack and Opeckon Creek, the soil rich, the land well timbered and watered, and has pure and healthy springs.—Said land will either be rented by the tract or divided into farms of two hundred acres, as may best suit the tenant or tenants.—Whoever rents the above premises will have the liberty of sowing wheat, rye, or any other grain immediately, which privilege is obtained from the present tenant; and there may be sowed on the land now under culture 150 bushels of grain.—The terms may be fully known by applying to* *WILLIAM HERBERT, or*
CHARLES LITTLE.

Fairfax County, August 3, 1784.

To the PUBLIC.

WHEREAS a certain WILLIAM JONES, a Flatman, was intrusted with the following Tobacco Notes: Colchester Warehouse, I. I. No. 532, 1083, 107, 976, John Johnson.—M. C. 541, 1335, 87, 1248; 542, 1258, 88, 1170; 543, 1313, 90, 1223; 544, 1307, 104, 1203; 545, 1223, 108, 1115, Morris Carter.—I. P. 432, 1317, 111, 1206, Jonathan Pike.—Dumfries Warehouse, N. G. 357, 1364, 125, 1239, Nathaniel Grisby.—W. T. 390, 1152, 113, 1039, William Tibbs.—S. L. 1065, 1107, 100, 1007, Samuel Love.—Quantico Warehouse, I. T. 434, 1155, 130, 1025, James Tittle.—M. N. 1083, 1339, 137, 1202, Mary Neal.

The above mentioned Jones being employed to bring them up from the different Warehouses, and having eloped with the said notes, we take this method to forewarn all persons from purchasing the said notes, as we have received the tobacco; and in order to prevent such villainous practices, we offer a Reward of FIVE POUNDS to any person or persons who will apprehend the said William Jones, so that he may brought to justice.

WILLIAMS, CARY, and WILLIAMS.
WILLIAM HARTSHORNE, and CO.

Alexandria, August 3, 1784.

George-Town, August 4, 1784.

THE Ship CAMBERWELL, Capt. RICHARD JOHNS, now lying at George-Town, takes in Tobacco for LONDON, consigned to FORREST and STODDERT, at the rate of *Seven Pounds* sterling per ton of four hogsheads, and will send for it clear of expence to the shipper.—The Camberwell is a strong British built vessel, and part of her cargo being provided, it is expected she will be dispatched in a few weeks. Where no particular directions are given to the contrary, the tobacco will be insured at Ten Guineas per hogshead, in case of loss.

BENJAMIN STODDERT.

Just arrived in the Ship ANGELICA, Capt. TIMOTHY PARKER, and the Ship WASHINGTON, Capt. ENOCH STICKNEY, both from CORK,

ABOUT Three Hundred healthy Redemptioners and four years Servants, among whom are many valuable Tradesmen and Labourers, and a few Women. Their times will be disposed of on the most reasonable terms, by applying to the Captains on board, or to the Subscriber. Tobacco, Wheat, Flour, and Flaxseed, will be taken in payment, by JOHN FITZGERALD.

Alexandria, August 2, 1784.

THE Ship ANGELICA, with all her rigging, &c. as she came from sea, will be disposed of on very easy terms.—She is a strong French built Ship, a prime sailer, about five years old, and will carry from 320 to 340 hogsheads of Tobacco.—If not sold in a short time she will be chartered to any part of Europe.—For terms apply to

Aug. 3, 1784. J. FITZGERALD.

LANDS to be Sold on CREDIT, viz.

FIVE Hundred Acres, nearly of the low grounds of Potomack River, of the most fertile quality, on which are a commodious house, with several other buildings adapted for quarters or small tenements, and a considerable orchard, peculiarly valuable on account of the certainty of fruit; 158 acres are situated on Black-Walnut-Tree-Island, and the remainder on the main opposite to it in Maryland, thirty miles above George-Town.—380 Acres at the fork of the river of Great-Capecapon in Hampshire County.—180 Acres on the South River or Branch of Shenandoah.—100 Acres on Flint Run, in Shenandoah County.—Also, 10,000 Acres on Kentuckey, which Mr. ISAAC HITE, jun. who resides in that country is empowered to sell. ISAAC HITE.

Virginia, Frederick County, June 25, 1784.

To be sold on the Premises at PUBLIC AUCTION, on the 29th Day of September next,

TWO LOTS, *belonging to the estate of the late* JAMES BUCHANAN, *deceased, situated in a very healthy part of the town of Falmouth; the improvements thereon are very considerable, consisting of a store-house, with three back lodging rooms, two front hall rooms and an excellent cellar; also, a good warehouse, stables, and garden.—One year's credit, on bond with approved security, will be given for one-third, six months for another third, and the balance in Cash or Tobacco, at the market-price, on the day of sale, are the terms of payment.* ISAAC HITE.

Frederick County, June 27, 1784.

HENRY GARDNER,

BAKER, from BOSTON,

TAKES this method of informing the Inhabitants of this town and parts adjacent, that he carries on the Baking Business in all its branches, at his Bake-House on Fairfax-street, opposite Capt. Henry Lyles's store, where may be had on the lowest terms, best loaf and tea bread, all sorts of crackers in hogs, equal in quality to any imported from Philadelphia, all kinds of ship bread, &c. &c.

Alexandria, July 29, 1784.

TO BE SOLD at the PRINTING-OFFICE,

A Variety of Writing Paper, Dutch Quills, Paper Hangings, Blank Books, gilt and common Letter Paper, Sealing-Wax, Wafers, Inkpowder, Pounce, Ink-Stands, Black Lead Pencils, &c.

Also, Stoughton's and other Bitters, Inflammable Tapers, Anderson's Pills, Essence of Pepper-Mint, double distill'd Lavender Water, Turlington's drops, Hungary Water, smelling Salt Bottles, &c. &c. &c.

☞ Likewise, Pomfrets Poems; Polite Instructor; Æsop's Fables; The History of Pamela, Sir Charles Grandison, and Clarissa Harlow in Miniature; The New Letter-Writer; Smith's Poems; Plays and Farces; Thompson's Seasons; Scarronides, or Virgil Travestie; a Variety of Childrens' Books; Dyches spelling-Books, &c. &c.

FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.

STRAYED or stolen about the 10th instant from the commons of Alexandria, a likely chesnut sorrel HORSE, about 14 hands high, with an eel back, long tail, a small star in his forehead, is about eight years old, a natural trotter, goes wide behind and canters pretty well.—Whoever will bring the said horse to me shall have the above Reward, if found in Fairfax County, if out of the County Six Dollars, and all reasonable charges.

WILLIAM HARTSHORNE.

Alexandria, July 12, 1784.

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